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## Letter dated 29 May 2001 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to convey to you hereunder a list of the violations and infringements that were committed by Israel against Lebanon in the period from 17 to 28 May 2001. Four citizens were wounded in these incidents and one was killed when his plane was seized over Lebanese territory by two hostile Israeli aircraft and shot down in occupied Palestinian territory. Lebanon regards these incidents as an extension of Israel's aggression against its people and territory.

**17 May 2001**

At intervals between 0930 and 1140 hours Israeli warplanes overflew all parts of Lebanon at various altitudes. They released heat balloons in the Ba`labakk-Hirmil area and were engaged by Army KM-12 anti-aircraft artillery.

At intervals between 1305 and 2100 hours two Israeli helicopters flew over the occupied Shab`a farmlands.

At 1530 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South at very high altitudes.

Between 1530 and 1615 hours an Israeli Poclain-type excavator accompanied by a truck and two civilian vehicles were working on a transverse drainage channel near the Israeli outpost at Mazra`at Fashkul in the Shab`a farmlands.

Between 1725 and 2100 hours Israeli enemy forces at their Ramta hill and Mazra`at Fashkul outposts in the occupied Shab`a farmlands directed a number of bursts of medium-weapons fire at surrounding areas.

**17/18 May 2001**

During the night Israeli enemy elements accompanied by an Israeli patrol consisting of two HMMWV ("Hummer") vehicles carried out maintenance work on the barbed wire strip along the Lebanon-Israel boundary opposite Udaysah and Kafr Killa.

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**18 May 2001**

At 1600 hours Israeli enemy forces near the barbed wire at the Fatimah Gate fired some light-weapons rounds at citizens congregating in the area. Hasan Fu'ad Yasin, about 20 and from Sidon, was hit in both feet and taken to the Hospital of the South in Nabatiyah for medical attention. Riyad Adil Yunus was also wounded but was treated locally.

Between 1040 and 1100 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South, Mount Lebanon and the North at very high altitudes, breaking the sound barrier over the Batrun, Zgharta and Kurah areas. Warning sirens were sounded by the fraternal forces stationed at Qulay'at air base.

**19 May 2001**

Between 1120 and 1215 hours Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the Khiyam and Marj Uyun areas as well as Mdukha in the Western Bekaa at very high altitudes.

Between 1930 and 1940 hours an Israeli gunboat in Palestinian territorial waters off Ra's al-Naqurah fired several bursts of medium weapons fire at surrounding areas.

Between 2300 and 2310 hours Israeli forces strafed the area around their outpost at Ruwaysat al-Alam in the occupied Shab'a farmlands with medium-weapons fire.

**20 May 2001**

Between 0515 and 0630 hours Israeli enemy forces at the Ramta hill outpost in the occupied Shab'a farmlands fired several bursts of medium-machine-gun fire at surrounding areas.

Between 0910 and 0950 hours an Israeli enemy gunboat in the territorial waters of occupied Palestine off Ra's al-Naqurah fired several bursts of medium-machine-gun fire at surrounding areas.

Between 1025 and 1120 hours Israeli enemy warplanes overflew the South at very high altitudes.

Between 1430 and 1445 hours Israeli enemy warplanes overflew the South at very high altitudes, breaking the sound barrier.

Between 2030 and 2055 hours Israeli enemy forces at the Ruwaysat al-Alam and Radar hill outposts in the occupied Shab'a farmlands fired several bursts of medium-machine-gun fire at surrounding areas and launched a number of illumination flares. At the same time an Israeli enemy helicopter flew over the occupied Shab'a farmlands.

Between 2000 and 2015 hours an Israeli helicopter flew along the Lebanese border over occupied Palestinian territory and over Rumaysh, launching three illumination flares over occupied Palestinian territory.

Between 2050 and 2110 hours an Israeli enemy gunboat in the territorial waters of occupied Palestine off Ra's al-Naqurah launched three illumination flares over the surrounding area.

Between 2145 and 2155 hours two Israeli enemy helicopters flew over Mazra`at Fashkul in the occupied Shab`a farmlands.

At 2255 hours Israeli enemy forces at one of their outposts in the occupied Shab`a farmlands fired two direct-fire rounds at the area around Birkat al-Saddanah in an outlying area of Shab`a in liberated Lebanese territory.

Between 2310 and 2330 hours an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft overflew the Tyre area at very high altitude.

Between 2310 and 2330 hours six Israeli enemy helicopters flew over Hula and Udaysah inside Lebanese territory and over occupied Palestinian territory along the Lebanese border.

**21 May 2001**

Between 0855 and 0905 hours two Israeli helicopters flew over liberated Lebanese territory in an outlying area of Udaysah at an altitude of some 200 metres.

Between 0800 and 0945 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the Shab`a farmlands.

At 1040 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the North at very high altitudes, leaving at 1035 hours [sic].

At 1100 hours three Israeli warplanes overflew Beirut International Airport at moderate altitude.

At 1105 hours an Israeli Apache helicopter flew over occupied Palestinian territory close to the Lebanese border in the Ra's al-Naqurah area.

At 1320 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the Hasbayya, Marj Uyun and Shab`a farmlands areas.

Between 1310 and 1500 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South, Mount Lebanon and the North at very high altitudes, breaking the sound barrier and carrying out mock attacks in the occupied Shab`a farmlands.

Between 1400 and 1500 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the Shab`a farmlands.

Between 2000 and 2055 hours Israeli enemy warplanes, helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft flew over the occupied Shab`a farmlands.

Between 2110 and 2115 hours Israeli enemy forces at one of their positions in the occupied territories opposite Ramya launched two illumination flares over the surrounding area.

At 2215 hours an Israeli gunboat in the territorial waters of occupied Palestine off Ra's al-Naqurah launched an illumination flare over the surrounding area.

**22 May 2001**

Between 1515 and 1535 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South and the Western Bekaa at very high altitudes.

Between 0930 and 1010 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the occupied Shab`a farmlands at very high altitude.

At 1640 hours two slow-moving potential hostile targets entered Lebanese airspace west of Shikka heading south and 8 nautical miles offshore. At 1710 hours they left Lebanese airspace over the sea west of Naqurah.

Between 1730 and 1915 hours there were three unexplained explosions in the Mughr Shab'a area of the occupied Shab'a farmlands.

Between 1945 and 2005 hours the Israeli enemy at the Ramta hill outpost directed a number of bursts of medium-machine-gun fire at the surrounding area.

Between 2100 and 2120 hours two Israeli helicopters flew over the occupied Shab'a farmlands.

Between 2205 and 2305 hours two Israeli helicopters flew over the Shab'a farmlands. At the same time, movements of Israeli forces vehicles were observed around their outpost at Radar hill in the same area.

At 2340 hours Israeli forces at one of their outposts in the occupied Shab'a farmlands launched two illumination flares over their outpost at Radar hill in the same area.

**23 May 2001**

Between 0500 and 0515 hours Israeli enemy warplanes overflew the Nabatiyah and Marj Uyun areas at very high altitudes.

At intervals between 0700 and 1245 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the occupied Shab'a farmlands at very high altitudes.

Between 1115 and 1445 hours an Israeli bulldozer was engaged in fortification work at the Israeli position at the town of Abbasiyah in the occupied territories.

Between 1200 and 1210 hours an Israeli gunboat in the territorial waters of occupied Palestine off Ra's al-Naqurah fired several bursts of medium-weapons fire at surrounding areas.

At intervals between 1300 and 1600 hours Israeli warplanes overflew Lebanese territory at very high altitudes, breaking the sound barrier.

Between 1320 and 1855 hours Israeli reconnaissance aircraft and Israeli helicopters overflew the occupied Shab'a farmlands.

At intervals between 1330 and 1600 hours Israeli occupation forces strafed the area around their outpost at Ruwaysat al-Alam in the occupied Shab'a farmlands with medium-weapons fire.

Between 2100 and 2240 hours two Israeli helicopters flew over the occupied Shab'a farmlands and over liberated Lebanese territory to a depth of some 200 metres opposite Udaysah.

At 2300 hours there were four unexplained explosions in the Shab'a farmlands.

**23/24 May 2001**

Between 2040 and 0500 hours Israeli occupation forces sent up a balloon over their outpost at Ramta hill in the occupied Shab'a farmlands.

During the night Israeli enemy forces at the Summaqah and Ruwaysat al-Alam outposts in the occupied Shab'a farmlands mounted observation cameras on two 7-metre-high poles. They removed them at 1400 hours.

**24 May 2001**

Between 0230 and 0245 hours Israeli forces at the Fatimah Gate fired several light-weapons rounds into the air for unknown reasons. No one was hurt.

At intervals between 0500 and 0730 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the Naqurah area and the occupied Shab'a farmlands at very high altitudes.

At 0700 hours an Israeli MK-type spyplane overflew Hasbayya and the Arqub.

At 1045 hours a certain Stefan Nikolian took off from Beirut International Airport in a private Cessna aircraft belonging to the GR company, without the knowledge or permission of the company and without permission from the airport, and headed south. He flew over the South, and the plane was accompanied by two hostile warplanes into occupied Palestinian territory. It subsequently transpired that the two Israeli aircraft had brought the plane down into the sea off the Netanya colony, killing the pilot.

Between 1050 and 1140 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the Iqlim al-Kharrub, Shuf, Jazzin, Marj Uyun, Hasbayya, Western Bekaa, Tyre, Sidon, Bint Jubayl and Nabatiyah areas and over occupied Palestinian territory adjacent to Lebanese territory at low altitudes.

Between 1930 and 2115 hours an Israeli gunboat in the territorial waters of occupied Palestine off Ra's al-Naqurah launched an illumination flare and fired several bursts of medium-machine-gun fire at surrounding areas.

Between 2100 and 2110 hours Israeli enemy forces at the Ramta hill outpost in the occupied Shab'a farmlands directed a number of bursts of medium-machine-gun fire at the surrounding area.

Between 2110 and 2155 hours two Israeli helicopters flew over the occupied Shab'a farmlands.

Between 1535 and 1705 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the Western Bekaa.

**25 May 2001**

Between 0730 and 0830 hours Israeli warplanes and reconnaissance aircraft flew over the occupied Shab'a farmlands at very high altitudes.

Between 1050 and 1245 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South, Mount Lebanon, the Bekaa and the North at very high altitudes and an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the Shab'a farmlands.

Between 1130 and 1400 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South as far as Mount Lebanon at very high altitudes.

Between 1410 and 1610 hours two Israeli helicopters flew over the occupied Shab'a farmlands.

At 1140 hours Israeli enemy forces near the Abbad site fired several light-weapons rounds while a number of citizens were congregating there. Muhammad Ali al-Asadi, about 20 years old, was hit in the leg by one round and was taken to the Hospital of the South in Nabatiyah.

At 1215 hours Israeli enemy forces fired several light-weapons rounds into the air as a number of citizens were congregating at the Fatimah Gate. No one was hurt.

Between 1440 and 1635 hours Israeli occupation forces at the Fatimah Gate fired several light-weapons rounds into the air while some citizens were throwing stones. No one was hurt.

At 1730 hours Israeli enemy forces near the Abbad site fired several light-weapons rounds at a number of citizens congregating there. Bassam Mahmud Ja'far, born in 1986, was hit in the hip and the left foot by some lead fragments.

At 1815 hours Israeli forces at one of their positions in occupied Palestinian territory fired two phosphorus shells of unknown calibre that impacted in Lebanese territory opposite the position mentioned and set fire to some 300 square metres of afforested land. This set off several mines left behind by the Israeli enemy.

At 1835 hours Israeli forces at the Abbad hill position fired several bursts of light-weapons fire into the air. No one was hurt.

At 2045 hours Israeli occupation forces sent up a balloon between their positions at Ramta hill and Ruwaysat al-Summaqah in the occupied Shab'a farmlands.

At 2120 hours an Israeli gunboat in the territorial waters of occupied Palestine off Ra's al-Naqurah launched an illumination flare over the surrounding area.

**26 May 2001**

Between 0715 and 0855 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South at very high altitudes.

Between 1430 and 1530 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South at very high altitudes.

**27 May 2001**

Between 0610 and 0630 hours an Israeli gunboat in the territorial waters of occupied Palestine off Ra's al-Naqurah directed a number of bursts of medium-machine-gun fire at the surrounding area.

Between 0700 and 1005 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the occupied Shab'a farmlands.

Between 0925 and 0935 hours an Israeli gunboat in Palestinian territorial waters off Ra's al-Naqurah fired several bursts of medium-machine-gun fire at surrounding areas.

Between 0915 and 1005 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South at very high altitudes.

Between 1100 and 1130 hours Israeli warplanes overflew all parts of Lebanon at very high altitudes breaking the sound barrier.

**28 May 2001**

At 0300 hours an Israeli gunboat in the territorial waters of occupied Palestine off Ra's al-Naqurah launched an illumination flare and directed a number of bursts of medium-weapons fire at the surrounding area.

At intervals between 0600 and 1100 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft flew over the occupied Shab'a farmlands.

Between 0815 and 0915 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the Tyre, Marj Uyun and Nabatiyah areas at very high altitudes.

Between 1455 and 1540 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the Naqurah, Nabatiyah and Marj Uyun areas at very high altitudes.

Like the previous Israeli violations of which it represents a continuation, this new series is in flagrant violation of Security Council resolution 425 (1978) and of Lebanon's sovereignty and poses a threat to stability in the region.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 40, and of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Sélim **Tadmoury**
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Permanent Representative

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# Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic

## Report of the Fifth Committee

*Rapporteur*: Mr. Eduardo Manuel da Fonseca Fernandes **Ramos** (Portugal)

## I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 58th, 59th, 67th and 68th meetings, on 7, 8 and 25 May 2001. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/55/SR.58, 59, 67 and 68).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic for the period from 1 July 1999 to 30 June 2000 (A/55/849) and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/874 and A/55/884).

## II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.67

4. At the 68th meeting, on 25 May 2001, the representative of Ghana and coordinator of the informal consultations on this item introduced, on behalf of the Chairman, a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic" (A/C.5/55/L.67).

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.67 without a vote (see para. 6).

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# III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

## Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic

*The General Assembly*,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic[1] and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

*Bearing in mind* Security Council resolution 1159 (1998) of 27 March 1998, by which the Council decided to establish the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the last of which was resolution 1271 (1999) of 22 October 1999,

*Recalling* its resolution 52/249 of 26 June 1998 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 54/277 of 15 June 2000,

*Reaffirming* that the costs of the Mission are expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Recalling* its previous decisions regarding the fact that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by the Mission, a different procedure is required from that applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations,

*Taking into account* the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards such an operation,

*Bearing in mind* the special responsibilities of the permanent members of the Security Council, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, in the financing of such an operation,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the Mission,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the necessary financial resources to enable it to meet its outstanding liabilities,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic as at 30 April 2001, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 36.7 million United States dollars, representing 32 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes that some 44 per cent of the Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member

[1] A/55/849.

[2] A/55/874 and A/55/884.

States concerned, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions in full;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full;

3. *Expresses concern* about the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

4. *Also expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the liquidation of the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

9. *Decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be credited their respective share of the unencumbered balance of 1,197,100 dollars gross (1,152,400 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000, in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by the Assembly in subsequent relevant resolutions and decisions concerning the ad hoc apportionment of peacekeeping appropriations, the latest of which were resolution 52/230 of 31 March 1998 and decisions 54/456 to 54/458 of 23 December 1999 for the period 1998-2000, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the year 2000, as set out in its resolutions 52/215 A of 22 December 1997 and 54/237 A of 23 December 1999;

10. *Decides also* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, their share of the unencumbered balance of 1,197,100 dollars gross (1,152,400 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000, shall be set off against their outstanding obligations in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 9 above;

11. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

[3] A/55/884.

12. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-sixth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic".

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# Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters

## Report of the Fifth Committee

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## I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 58th, 59th, 67th and 68th meetings, on 7, 8 and 25 May 2001. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/55/SR.58, 59, 67 and 68).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters (A/55/840) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/886).

## II. Consideration of draft decision A/C.5/55/L.74

4. At its 68th meeting, on 25 May, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations

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Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters" (A/C.5/55/L.74), submitted by the Vice-Chairman on the basis of informal consultations, which had been coordinated by the representative of Croatia and Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.74 without a vote (see para. 7).

6. After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement in explanation of position was made by the representative of Sweden (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the European Union) (see A/C.5/55/SR.68).

## III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

7. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

### Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters

*The General Assembly*,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

*Recalling* Security Council resolutions 727 (1992) of 8 January 1992 and 740 (1992) of 7 February 1992, in which the Council endorsed the sending of a group of military liaison officers to Yugoslavia to promote maintenance of the ceasefire,

*Recalling also* Security Council resolution 743 (1992) of 21 February 1992, by which the Council established the United Nations Protection Force, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended and expanded its mandate,

*Recalling further* Security Council resolution 981 (1995) of 31 March 1995, by which the Council established the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, to be known as UNCRO,

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 983 (1995) of 31 March 1995, by which the Council decided that the United Nations Protection Force within the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia should be known as the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force,

[1] A/55/840.
[2] A/55/886.

*Recalling also* Security Council resolution 1025 (1995) of 30 November 1995, in which the Council decided to terminate the mandate of the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia on 15 January 1996,

*Recalling further* Security Council resolution 1031 (1995) of 15 December 1995, in which the Council decided to terminate the mandate of the United Nations Protection Force on the date on which the Secretary-General reported that the transfer of authority from the United Nations Protection Force to the Implementation Force had taken place,

*Recalling* the letter dated 1 February 1996 from the President of the Security Council to the Secretary-General,[3] informing him of the Council's concurrence in principle that the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force should become an independent mission,

*Recalling also* its resolution 46/233 of 19 March 1992 on the financing of the United Nations Protection Force and its subsequent resolutions and decisions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 54/269 of 15 June 2000,

*Reaffirming* that the costs of the combined Forces are expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Recalling* its previous decisions regarding the fact that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by the combined Forces, a different procedure is required from that applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations,

*Taking into account* the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards such operations,

*Bearing in mind* the special responsibilities of the States permanent members of the Security Council, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, in the financing of such operations,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the combined Forces by certain Governments,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the combined Forces with the necessary financial resources to enable them to meet their outstanding liabilities,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the combined Forces as at 30 April 2001, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 615.8 million United States dollars, representing 13 per cent of the total assessed contributions from the inception of the United Nations Protection Force to the period ending 30 June 1997, notes that some 63 per cent of the Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States concerned, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions in full;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full;

[3] S/1996/76; see *Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, 1996*

3. *Expresses concern* about the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

4. *Also expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

8. *Decides* to suspend for the immediate future the provisions of regulations 4.3, 4.4 and 5.2 (d) of the financial regulations of the United Nations in respect of the remaining surplus of 174,743,027 dollars gross (175,519,370 dollars net) in order to allow for reimbursements to troop contributors and in the light of the cash shortage of the combined Forces, and requests the Secretary-General to provide an updated report in one year;

9. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

10. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-sixth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters".

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*Recalling also* Security Council resolution 743 (1992) of 21 February 1992, by which the Council established the United Nations Protection Force, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended and expanded its mandate,

*Recalling further* Security Council resolution 981 (1995) of 31 March 1995, by which the Council established the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, to be known as UNCRO,

[1] A/55/840.
[2] A/55/886.

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 983 (1995) of 31 March 1995, by which the Council decided that the United Nations Protection Force within the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia should be known as the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force,

*Recalling also* Security Council resolution 1025 (1995) of 30 November 1995, in which the Council decided to terminate the mandate of the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia on 15 January 1996,

*Recalling further* Security Council resolution 1031 (1995) of 15 December 1995, in which the Council decided to terminate the mandate of the United Nations Protection Force on the date on which the Secretary-General reported that the transfer of authority from the United Nations Protection Force to the Implementation Force had taken place,

*Recalling* the letter dated 1 February 1996 from the President of the Security Council to the Secretary-General,[3] informing him of the Council's concurrence in principle that the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force should become an independent mission,

*Recalling also* its resolution 46/233 of 19 March 1992 on the financing of the United Nations Protection Force and its subsequent resolutions and decisions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 54/269 of 15 June 2000,

*Reaffirming* that the costs of the combined Forces are expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Recalling* its previous decisions regarding the fact that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by the combined Forces, a different procedure is required from that applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations,

*Taking into account* the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards such operations,

*Bearing in mind* the special responsibilities of the States permanent members of the Security Council, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, in the financing of such operations,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the combined Forces by certain Governments,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the combined Forces with the necessary financial resources to enable them to meet their outstanding liabilities,

[3] S/1996/76; see *Resolutions and Decisions of the Security Council, 1996*.

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the combined Forces as at 30 April 2001, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 615.8 million United States dollars, representing 13 per cent of the total assessed contributions from the inception of the United Nations Protection Force to the period ending 30 June 1997, notes that some 63 per cent of the Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States concerned, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions in full;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full;

3. *Expresses concern* about the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

4. *Also expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

8. *Decides* to suspend for the immediate future the provisions of regulations 4.3, 4.4 and 5.2 (d) of the financial regulations of the United Nations in respect of the remaining surplus of 174,743,027 dollars gross (175,519,370 dollars net) in order to allow for reimbursements to troop contributors and in the light of the cash shortage of the combined Forces, and requests the Secretary-General to provide an updated report in one year;

9. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

10. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-sixth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters".

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# Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

## Report of the Fifth Committee

*Rapporteur:* Mr. Eduardo Manuel da Fonseca Fernandes **Ramos** (Portugal)

## I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 58th, 65th, 67th and 68th meetings, on 7, 22 and 25 May 2001. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/55/SR.58, 65, 67 and 68).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (A/55/935) and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/874 and A/55/941).

## II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.83

4. At the 68th meeting, on 25 May, the representative of Botswana, Vice-Chairman of the Committee and coordinator of the informal consultations on the item, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo" (A/C.5/55/L.83).

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.83 without a vote (see para. 6).

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# III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

## Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo[1] and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

*Bearing in mind* Security Council resolution 1258 (1999) of 6 August 1999 and resolution 1279 (1999) of 30 November 1999 regarding, respectively, the deployment to the Congo region of military liaison personnel and the establishment of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 1332 (2000) of 14 December 2000,

*Recalling* its resolutions 54/260 A of 7 April 2000 and 54/260 B of 15 June 2000 on the financing of the Mission,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Reaffirms* its resolution 49/233 A of 23 December 1994, in particular those paragraphs regarding the peacekeeping budgetary cycles which should be adhered to in the future budgeting process, where possible;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo as at 30 April 2001, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 32.7 million United States dollars, representing some 16 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes that some 64 per cent of Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States concerned, in particular those in arrears, to ensure the payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full;

[1] A/55/935.

[2] A/55/874 and A/55/941.

4. *Expresses concern* about the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Urges* all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full and on time;

6. *Expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

7. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

8. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

9. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Mission;

10. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

11. *Expresses concern* about the high level of unliquidated obligations in the Mission as at 30 June 2000;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

13. *Also requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the Mission against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Mission;

14. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo the amount of 58,681,000 gross (58,441,000 net), as previously authorized and apportioned under the terms of General Assembly resolutions 54/260 A of 7 April 2000 and 54/260 B of 15 June 2000 for the establishment and operation of the Mission for the period from 6 August 1999 to 30 June 2000;

15. *Decides also* to appropriate the amount of 232,119,600 dollars gross (229,085,600 dollars net) for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001, inclusive of the amount of 141,319,000 dollars gross (140,827,100 dollars net) previously authorized under the terms of General Assembly resolution 54/260 B and of 49,865,400 dollars gross (49,530,700 dollars net) authorized by the Advisory Committee under the terms of section IV of General Assembly resolution 49/233 A, and authorizes the Secretary-General to enter into

[3] A/55/941.

additional commitments for the Mission for the same period in the amount not exceeding 41 million dollars gross and net;

16. *Decides further*, taking into account the amount of 141,319,000 gross (140,827,100 dollars net) already apportioned under the terms of its resolution 54/260 A, to apportion the additional amount of 83,233,883 dollars gross (80,903,625 dollars net) for the Mission for the period from 1 July 2000 to 15 June 2001 among Member States, in accordance with the levels set out in General Assembly resolution 55/235 of 23 December 2000, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolution 55/236 of 23 December 2000 and taking into account the scale of assessments for the year 2001, as set out in its resolution 55/5 B of 23 December 2000;

17. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 A (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 16 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated additional staff assessment income of 2,330,258 dollars approved for the Mission for the period from 1 July 2000 to 15 June 2001;

18. *Decides also* to apportion among Member States the amount of 7,566,717 dollars gross (7,354,875 dollars net) for the period from 15 to 30 June 2001, in accordance with paragraph 16 above, subject to the decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission beyond 15 June 2001;

19. *Decides further* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 A (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 18 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated additional staff assessment income of 211,842 dollars approved for the Mission for the period from 15 to 30 June 2001;

20. *Decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against the apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 16 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance of 3,409,600 dollars gross (3,605,300 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000, in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989 and as adjusted by the Assembly in subsequent relevant resolutions and decisions for the ad hoc apportionment of peacekeeping appropriations, the latest of which were resolution 52/230 of 31 March 1998 and decisions 54/456, 54/457 and 54/458 of 23 December 1999 for the period 1998-2000, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the year 2000, as set out in its resolutions 52/215 A of 22 December 1997 and 54/237 A of 23 December 1999;

21. *Decides also* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, their share of the unencumbered balance of 3,409,600 dollars gross (3,605,300 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000 shall be set off against their outstanding obligations, in accordance with paragraph 20 above;

22. *Decides further* to appropriate for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2001 an amount of 200 million dollars gross (194,823,300 dollars net) to be apportioned among Member States in accordance with paragraph 16 above, at the monthly rate of 33,333,333 dollars gross

(32,470,550 dollars net), subject to the decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission beyond 30 June 2001;

23. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 A (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 22 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 5,176,700 dollars approved for the Mission for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2001;

24. *Decides also* to appropriate to the Special Account for the Mission the amount of 8,260,509 dollars gross (7,249,409 dollars net) for the support account for peacekeeping operations and the amount of 862,915 dollars gross (774,893 dollars net) for the United Nations Logistics Base for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002, to be apportioned among Member States in accordance with paragraph 16 above and taking into account the scale of assessments for the years 2001 and 2002, as set out in General Assembly resolution 55/5 B, the scale of assessments for the year 2001 to be applied against a portion thereof, that is, 4,130,254 dollars gross (3,624,704 dollars net) for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 431,457 dollars gross (387,446 dollars net) for the United Nations Logistics Base for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2001, and the scale of assessments for the year 2002 to be applied against the balance, that is, 4,130,255 dollars gross (3,624,704 dollars net) for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 431,458 dollars gross (387,447 dollars net) for the United Nations Logistics Base for the period from 1 January to 30 June 2002;

25. *Decides further* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 A (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 24 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 1,011,100 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 88,022 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base approved for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002, 505,550 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 44,011 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base, being amounts pertaining to the period from 1 July to 31 December 2001, and the balance, that is, 505,550 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 44,011 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base pertaining to the period from 1 January to 30 June 2002;

26. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

27. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel under the auspices of the United Nations participating in the Mission;

28. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

29. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-sixth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo".

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# Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

## Report of the Fifth Committee

*Rapporteur:* Mr. Eduardo Manuel da Fonseca Fernandes **Ramos** (Portugal)

## I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 58th, 65th, 67th and 68th meetings, on 7, 22 and 25 May 2001. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/55/SR.58, 65, 67 and 68).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (A/55/935) and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/874 and A/55/941).

## II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.83

4. At the 68th meeting, on 25 May, the representative of Botswana, Vice-Chairman of the Committee and coordinator of the informal consultations on the item, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo" (A/C.5/55/L.83).

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5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.83 without a vote (see para. 6).

# III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

## Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

*The General Assembly*,

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo[1] and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

*Bearing in mind* Security Council resolution 1258 (1999) of 6 August 1999 and resolution 1279 (1999) of 30 November 1999 regarding, respectively, the deployment to the Congo region of military liaison personnel and the establishment of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 1332 (2000) of 14 December 2000,

*Recalling* its resolutions 54/260 A of 7 April 2000 and 54/260 B of 15 June 2000 on the financing of the Mission,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Reaffirms* its resolution 49/233 A of 23 December 1994, in particular those paragraphs regarding the peacekeeping budgetary cycles which should be adhered to in the future budgeting process, where possible;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo as at 30 April 2001, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 32.7 million United States dollars, representing some 16 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes that some 64 per cent of Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States concerned, in particular those in arrears, to ensure the payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

[1] A/55/935.

[2] A/55/874 and A/55/941.

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full;

4. *Expresses concern* about the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Urges* all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full and on time;

6. *Expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

7. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

8. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

9. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Mission;

10. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

11. *Expresses concern* about the high level of unliquidated obligations in the Mission as at 30 June 2000;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

13. *Also requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the Mission against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Mission;

14. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo the amount of 58,681,000 gross (58,441,000 net), as previously authorized and apportioned under the terms of General Assembly resolutions 54/260 A of 7 April 2000 and 54/260 B of 15 June 2000 for the establishment and operation of the Mission for the period from 6 August 1999 to 30 June 2000;

15. *Decides also* to appropriate the amount of 232,119,600 dollars gross (229,085,600 dollars net) for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001, inclusive of the amount of 141,319,000 dollars gross (140,827,100 dollars net) previously authorized under the terms of General Assembly resolution 54/260 B and of 49,865,400 dollars gross (49,530,700 dollars

[3] A/55/941.

net) authorized by the Advisory Committee under the terms of section IV of General Assembly resolution 49/233 A, and authorizes the Secretary-General to enter into additional commitments for the Mission for the same period in the amount not exceeding 41 million dollars gross and net;

16. *Decides further,* taking into account the amount of 141,319,000 gross (140,827,100 dollars net) already apportioned under the terms of its resolution 54/260 A, to apportion the additional amount of 83,233,883 dollars gross (80,903,625 dollars net) for the Mission for the period from 1 July 2000 to 15 June 2001 among Member States, in accordance with the levels set out in General Assembly resolution 55/235 of 23 December 2000, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolution 55/236 of 23 December 2000 and taking into account the scale of assessments for the year 2001, as set out in its resolution 55/5 B of 23 December 2000;

17. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 A (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 16 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated additional staff assessment income of 2,330,258 dollars approved for the Mission for the period from 1 July 2000 to 15 June 2001;

18. *Decides also* to apportion among Member States the amount of 7,566,717 dollars gross (7,354,875 dollars net) for the period from 15 to 30 June 2001, in accordance with paragraph 16 above, subject to the decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission beyond 15 June 2001;

19. *Decides further* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 A (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 18 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated additional staff assessment income of 211,842 dollars approved for the Mission for the period from 15 to 30 June 2001;

20. *Decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against the apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 16 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance of 3,409,600 dollars gross (3,605,300 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000, in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989 and as adjusted by the Assembly in subsequent relevant resolutions and decisions for the ad hoc apportionment of peacekeeping appropriations, the latest of which were resolution 52/230 of 31 March 1998 and decisions 54/456, 54/457 and 54/458 of 23 December 1999 for the period 1998-2000, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the year 2000, as set out in its resolutions 52/215 A of 22 December 1997 and 54/237 A of 23 December 1999;

21. *Decides also* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, their share of the unencumbered balance of 3,409,600 dollars gross (3,605,300 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000 shall be set off against their outstanding obligations, in accordance with paragraph 20 above;

22. *Decides further* to appropriate for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2001 an amount of 200 million dollars gross

(194,823,300 dollars net) to be apportioned among Member States in accordance with paragraph 16 above, at the monthly rate of 33,333,333 dollars gross (32,470,550 dollars net), subject to the decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission beyond 30 June 2001;

23. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 A (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 22 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 5,176,700 dollars approved for the Mission for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2001;

24. *Decides also* to appropriate to the Special Account for the Mission the amount of 8,260,509 dollars gross (7,249,409 dollars net) for the support account for peacekeeping operations and the amount of 862,915 dollars gross (774,893 dollars net) for the United Nations Logistics Base for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002, to be apportioned among Member States in accordance with paragraph 16 above and taking into account the scale of assessments for the years 2001 and 2002, as set out in General Assembly resolution 55/5 B, the scale of assessments for the year 2001 to be applied against a portion thereof, that is, 4,130,254 dollars gross (3,624,704 dollars net) for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 431,457 dollars gross (387,446 dollars net) for the United Nations Logistics Base for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2001, and the scale of assessments for the year 2002 to be applied against the balance, that is, 4,130,255 dollars gross (3,624,705 dollars net) for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 431,458 dollars gross (387,447 dollars net) for the United Nations Logistics Base for the period from 1 January to 30 June 2002;

25. *Decides further* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 A (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 24 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 1,011,100 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 88,022 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base approved for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002, 505,550 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 44,011 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base, being amounts pertaining to the period from 1 July to 31 December 2001, and the balance, that is, 505,550 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 44,011 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base pertaining to the period from 1 January to 30 June 2002;

26. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

27. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel under the auspices of the United Nations participating in the Mission;

28. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

29. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-sixth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo".

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# Financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti, the United Nations Transition Mission in Haiti and the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti

## Report of the Fifth Committee

*Rapporteur*: Mr. Eduardo Manuel da Fonseca Fernandes **Ramos** (Portugal)

## I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti, the United Nations Transition Mission in Haiti and the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 58th, 59th, 67th and 68th meetings, on 7, 8 and 25 May 2001. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/55/SR.58, 59, 67 and 68).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti, the United Nations Transition Mission in Haiti and the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti (A/55/667);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti for the period from 1 July 1999 to 30 June 2000 (A/55/753);

(c) Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/881).

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## II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.76

4. At its 68th meeting, on 25 May, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti" (A/C.5/55/L.76), submitted by the Vice-Chairman on the basis of informal consultations, which had been coordinated by the representative of Croatia and Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.76 without a vote (see para. 6).

## III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

### Financing of the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti

*The General Assembly*,

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti, the United Nations Transition Mission in Haiti and the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

*Bearing in mind* Security Council resolutions 1063 (1996) of 28 June 1996, by which the Council established the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti, and 1086 (1996) of 5 December 1996, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 31 July 1997,

*Bearing in mind also* Security Council resolution 1123 (1997) of 30 July 1997, by which the Council established the United Nations Transition Mission in Haiti for a single four-month period,

*Bearing in mind further* Security Council resolutions 1141 (1997) of 28 November 1997, by which the Council established the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti, and 1277 (1999) of 30 November 1999, by which the Council continued the Mission until 15 March 2000,

*Recalling* its resolution 51/15 A of 4 November 1996 on the financing of the Support Mission and the subsequent resolutions and decisions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 54/276 of 15 June 2000,

*Reaffirming* that the costs of the Missions are expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations,

[1] A/55/667 and A/55/753.
[2] A/55/881.

*Recalling* its previous decisions regarding the fact that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by the Missions, a different procedure is required from that applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations,

*Taking into account* the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards such operations,

*Bearing in mind* the special responsibilities of the permanent members of the Security Council, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, in the financing of such an operation,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti by certain Governments,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to continue to provide the account of the Missions with the necessary financial resources to enable them to meet their outstanding liabilities,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti, the United Nations Transition Mission in Haiti and the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti as at 30 April 2001, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 19.9 million United States dollars, representing 22 per cent of the total assessed contributions from the inception of the Support Mission to the period ending 30 June 2000, notes that some 65 per cent of the Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States concerned, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding contributions in full;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full;

3. *Expresses concern* about the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

4. *Also expresses* concern at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Endorses* the conclusions and observations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

8. *Notes* that the commitment authority of 2,201,284 dollars gross (1,987,784 dollars net) authorized by the Advisory Committee on Administrative

and Budgetary Questions under the terms of section IV of General Assembly resolution 49/233 A of 23 December 1994 was not utilized;

9. *Decides* to authorize the Secretary-General to utilize an amount of 164,200 dollars gross (142,900 dollars net) from the resources provided for the period ending 30 June 2000 in order to meet the cost of completing the liquidation tasks at Headquarters;

10. *Decides also* that Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Civilian Police Mission shall be credited their respective share of the remaining unencumbered balance of 394,916 dollars gross (523,316 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000, in accordance with the composition of groups as set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989 and adjusted by subsequent relevant General Assembly resolutions and decisions for the ad hoc apportionment of peacekeeping appropriations, the latest of which were resolution 52/230 of 31 March 1998 and decisions 54/456, 54/457 and 54/458 of 23 December 1999 for the period 1998-2000, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the year 2000, as set out in its resolutions 52/215 A of 22 December 1997 and 54/237 A of 23 December 1999;

11. *Decides further* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their obligations to the Civilian Police Mission, their share of the remaining unencumbered balance of 394,916 dollars gross (523,316 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000 shall be set off against their outstanding obligations in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 10 above;

12. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the final disposition of the assets of the Missions;[3]

13. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

14. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-sixth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti, the United Nations Transition Mission in Haiti and the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti".

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# Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola

## Report of the Fifth Committee

*Rapporteur*: Mr. Eduardo Manuel da Fonseca Fernandes **Ramos** (Portugal)

## I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 58th, 59th and 67th meetings, on 7, 8 and 25 May 2001. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/55/SR.58, 59 and 67).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola for the period from 1 July 1999 to 30 June 2000 (A/55/844 and Corr.1) and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/874 and A/55/879).

## II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.64

4. At its 67th meeting, on 25 May, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola" (A/C.5/55/L.64), submitted by the Vice-Chairman on the basis of informal consultations, which had been coordinated by the representative of Croatia and Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

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5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.64 without a vote (see para. 6).

# III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

## Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola[1] and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

*Bearing in mind* Security Council resolutions 626 (1988) of 20 December 1988, by which the Council established the United Nations Angola Verification Mission, 696 (1991) of 30 May 1991, by which the Council decided to entrust a new mandate to the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (thenceforth called the United Nations Angola Verification Mission II), 976 (1995) of 8 February 1995, by which the Council authorized the establishment of a peacekeeping operation (thenceforth called the United Nations Angola Verification Mission III), 1118 (1997) of 30 June 1997, by which the Council decided to establish, as from 1 July 1997, the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola, and its subsequent resolutions, the last of which was resolution 1229 (1999) of 26 February 1999,

*Recalling* its resolution 43/231 of 16 February 1989 on the financing of the Verification Mission and its subsequent resolutions and decisions thereon, and resolution 54/17 B of 15 June 2000 on the financing of the Observer Mission,

*Reaffirming* that the costs of the Observer Mission are expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations,

*Recalling* its previous decisions regarding the fact that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by the Observer Mission, a different procedure is required from that applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations,

*Taking into account* the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards such operations,

*Bearing in mind* the special responsibilities of the States permanent members of the Security Council, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, in the financing of such operations,

[1] A/55/844 and Corr.1.

[2] A/55/874 and A/55/879.

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the Observer Mission,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Observer Mission with the necessary financial resources to enable it to meet its outstanding liabilities,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola as at 30 April 2001, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 75.8 million United States dollars, representing 5 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes that some 45 per cent of the Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States concerned, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions in full;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full;

3. *Expresses concern* about the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

4. *Also expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the liquidation of the Observer Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

9. *Decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Observer Mission, there shall be credited their respective share of the unencumbered balance of 967,600 dollars gross (116,200 dollars net) in respect of the period from 1 July 1998 to 30 June 2000, comprising an unencumbered balance of 149,500 dollars gross and additional requirements of 787,600 dollars net in respect of the period from 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999, and an unencumbered balance of 818,100 dollars gross (903,800 dollars net) in respect of the period from 1 July 1999 to 30 June 2000, in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by subsequent relevant resolutions and decisions, for the ad hoc

[3] A/55/879.

apportionment of peacekeeping appropriations, the latest of which were resolution 52/230 of 31 March 1998 and decisions 54/456 to 54/458 of 23 December 1999 for the period 1998-2000, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the years 1998, 1999 and 2000, as set out in its resolutions 52/215 A of 22 December 1997 and 54/237 A of 23 December 1999;

10. *Decides also* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their obligations to the Observer Mission, their share of the unencumbered balance of 967,600 dollars gross (116,200 dollars net) in respect of the period from 1 July 1998 to 30 June 2000 shall be set off against their outstanding obligations in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 9 above;

11. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

12. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-sixth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola".

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# Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina

## Report of the Fifth Committee

*Rapporteur*: Mr. Eduardo Manuel da Fonseca Fernandes **Ramos** (Portugal)

## I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 58th, 59th, 67th and 68th meetings, on 7, 8 and 25 May 2001. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/55/SR.58, 59, 67 and 68).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina for the period from 1 July 1999 to 30 June 2000 (A/55/683);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the Mission for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002 (A/55/752);

(c) Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/874 and Add.5).

## II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.75

4. At its 68th meeting, on 25 May, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina"

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(A/C.5/55/L.75), submitted by the Vice-Chairman on the basis of informal consultations, which had been coordinated by the representative of Croatia and Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.75 without a vote (see para. 6).

# III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

## Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina

*The General Assembly*,

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina[1] and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 1035 (1995) of 21 December 1995, by which the Council established the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina for an initial period of one year, and Council resolution 1305 (2000) of 21 June 2000, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 21 June 2001,

*Recalling* also Security Council resolution 1335 (2001) of 12 January 2001, in which the Council authorized the United Nations military observers to continue to monitor the demilitarization of the Prevlaka peninsula until 15 July 2001,

*Recalling further* its decision 50/481 of 11 April 1996 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolutions and decisions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 54/273 of 15 June 2000,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the Mission,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina as at 30 April 2001, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 78.1 million United States dollars, representing 9 per cent of the total assessed contributions from the inception of the Mission to the period ending

[1] A/55/683 and A/55/752.
[2] A/55/874 and Add.5.

21 June 2001, notes that some 17 per cent of the Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States concerned, in particular those in arrears, to ensure the payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full;

3. *Urges* all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full and on time;

4. *Expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Mission;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

10. *Also requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the Mission against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Mission;

11. *Decides* to appropriate the amount of 144,676,630 dollars gross (135,728,725 dollars net) for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002, inclusive of the amount of 4,234,303 dollars gross (3,716,018 dollars net) for the support account for peacekeeping operations and the amount of 442,327 dollars gross (397,207 dollars net) for the United Nations Logistics Base, to be apportioned among Member States at a monthly rate of 12,056,385 dollars gross (11,310,727 dollars net) in accordance with the levels set out in General Assembly resolution 55/235, as adjusted by the General Assembly in its resolution 55/236 of 23 December 2000, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the years 2001 and 2002, as set out in its resolution 55/5 B of 23 December 2000, subject to the decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission beyond 30 June 2001;

[3] A/55/874/Add.5.

12. *Decides also* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 11 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 8,947,905 dollars approved for the Mission for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002;

13. *Decides further* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against the apportionment, as provided in paragraph 11 above, their respective share in the unencumbered balance of 25,990,381 dollars gross (24,826,081 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000, in accordance with the composition of groups as set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989 and adjusted by the General Assembly in subsequent relevant resolutions and decisions for the ad hoc apportionment of peacekeeping appropriations, the latest of which were resolution 52/230 of 31 March 1998 and decisions 54/456, 54/457 and 54/458 of 23 December 1999 for the period 1998-2000, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the year 2000, as set out in its resolutions 52/215 A of 22 December 1997 and 54/237 A of 23 December 1999;

14. *Decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, their share of the unencumbered balance of 25,990,381 dollars gross (24,826,081 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000 shall be set off against their outstanding obligations in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 13 above;

15. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

16. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel under the auspices of the United Nations participating in the Mission;

17. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

18. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-sixth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina".

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# Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara

## Report of the Fifth Committee

*Rapporteur*: Mr. Eduardo Manuel da Fonseca Fernandes **Ramos** (Portugal)

## I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 58th, 59th and 67th meetings, on 7, 8 and 25 May 2001. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/55/SR.58, 59 and 67).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara for the period from 1 July 1999 to 30 June 2000 (A/55/764);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002 (A/55/794);

(c) Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/874 and Add.7).

## II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.66

4. At its 67th meeting, on 25 May, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western

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Sahara" (A/C.5/55/L.66), submitted by the Vice-Chairman on the basis of informal consultations, which had been coordinated by the representative of Croatia and Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.66 without a vote (see para. 6).

## III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

### Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara

*The General Assembly*,

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara[1] and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

*Bearing in mind* Security Council resolution 690 (1991) of 29 April 1991, by which the Council established the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 1349 (2001) of 27 April 2001,

*Recalling* its resolution 45/266 of 17 May 1991 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolutions and decisions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 54/268 of 15 June 2000,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the Mission,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara as at 30 April 2001, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 89.0 million United States dollars, representing some 20 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes that some 10 per cent of the Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States concerned, in particular those in arrears, to ensure the payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

[1] A/55/764 and A/55/794.

[2] A/55/874 and Add.7.

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full;

3. *Expresses concern* about the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

4. *Urges* all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full and on time;

5. *Expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

6. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

7. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

8. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Mission;

9. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

11. *Also requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the Mission against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Mission;

12. *Decides* to appropriate the amount of 50,481,396 dollars gross (46,716,010 dollars net) for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002, inclusive of the amount of 1,477,457 dollars gross (1,296,614 dollars net) for the support account for peacekeeping operations and the amount of 154,339 dollars gross (138,596 dollars net) for the United Nations Logistics Base, to be apportioned among Member States at a monthly rate of 4,206,785 dollars gross (3,893,001 dollars net) in accordance with the levels set out in General Assembly resolution 55/235 of 23 December 2000, as adjusted by resolution 55/236 of 23 December 2000, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the years 2001 and 2002, as set out in its resolution 55/5 B of 23 December 2000, subject to the decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission beyond 30 June 2001;

13. *Decides also* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 A (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among

[3] A/55/874/Add.7.

Member States, as provided for in paragraph 12 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 3,765,386 dollars approved for the Mission for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002;

14. *Decides further* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against the apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 12 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance of 2,913,400 dollars gross (2,312,800 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000, in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by subsequent relevant resolutions and decisions, for the ad hoc apportionment of peacekeeping appropriations, the latest of which were resolution 52/230 of 31 March 1998 and decisions 54/456 to 54/458 of 23 December 1999 for the period 1998-2000 and taking into account the scale of assessments for the year 2000, as set out in its resolutions 52/215 A of 22 December 1997 and 54/237 A of 23 December 1999;

15. *Decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, their share of the unencumbered balance of 2,913,400 dollars gross (2,312,800 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000 shall be set off against their outstanding obligations in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 14 above;

16. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

17. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel under the auspices of the United Nations participating in the Mission;

18. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

19. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-sixth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara".

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# Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara

## Report of the Fifth Committee

*Rapporteur:* Mr. Eduardo Manuel da Fonseca Fernandes Ramos (Portugal)

## I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 58th, 59th and 67th meetings, on 7, 8 and 25 May 2001. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/55/SR.58, 59 and 67).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara for the period from 1 July 1999 to 30 June 2000 (A/55/764);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002 (A/55/794);

(c) Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/874 and Add.7).

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## II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.66

4. At its 67th meeting, on 25 May, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara" (A/C.5/55/L.66), submitted by the Vice-Chairman on the basis of informal consultations, which had been coordinated by the representative of Croatia and Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.66 without a vote (see para. 6).

## III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

### Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara

*The General Assembly*,

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara[1] and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

*Bearing in mind* Security Council resolution 690 (1991) of 29 April 1991, by which the Council established the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 1349 (2001) of 27 April 2001,

*Recalling* its resolution 45/266 of 17 May 1991 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolutions and decisions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 54/268 of 15 June 2000,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the Mission,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara as at 30 April 2001, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 89.0 million United States dollars,

[1] A/55/764 and A/55/794.
[2] A/55/874 and Add.7.

representing some 20 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes that some 10 per cent of the Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States concerned, in particular those in arrears, to ensure the payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full;

3. *Expresses concern* about the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

4. *Urges* all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full and on time;

5. *Expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

6. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

7. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

8. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Mission;

9. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

11. *Also requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the Mission against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Mission;

12. *Decides* to appropriate the amount of 50,481,396 dollars gross (46,716,010 dollars net) for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002, inclusive of the amount of 1,477,457 dollars gross (1,296,614 dollars net) for the support account for peacekeeping operations and the amount of 154,339 dollars gross (138,596 dollars net) for the United Nations Logistics Base, to be apportioned among Member States at a monthly rate of 4,206,783 dollars gross (3,893,001 dollars net) in accordance with the levels set out in General Assembly resolution 55/235 of 23 December 2000, as adjusted by resolution 55/236 of 23 December 2000, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the years 2001 and 2002, as set out in its resolution 55/5 B of 23

[3] A/55/874/Add.7.

December 2000, subject to the decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission beyond 30 June 2001;

13. *Decides also* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 A (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 12 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 3,765,386 dollars approved for the Mission for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002;

14. *Decides further* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against the apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 12 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance of 2,913,400 dollars gross (2,312,800 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000, in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by subsequent relevant resolutions and decisions, for the ad hoc apportionment of peacekeeping appropriations, the latest of which were resolution 52/230 of 31 March 1998 and decisions 54/456 to 54/458 of 23 December 1999 for the period 1998-2000 and taking into account the scale of assessments for the year 2000, as set out in its resolutions 52/215 A of 22 December 1997 and 54/237 A of 23 December 1999;

15. *Decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, their share of the unencumbered balance of 2,913,400 dollars gross (2,312,800 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000 shall be set off against their outstanding obligations in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 14 above;

16. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

17. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel under the auspices of the United Nations participating in the Mission;

18. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

19. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-sixth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara".

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# Financing of the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force

## Report of the Fifth Committee

*Rapporteur*: Mr. Eduardo Manuel da Fonseca Fernandes **Ramos** (Portugal)

## I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 58th, 59th and 67th meetings, on 7, 8 and 25 May 2001. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/55/SR.58, 59 and 67).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force (A/55/390) and the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the final disposition of the assets of the Force (A/55/870).

## II. Consideration of draft decision A/C.5/55/L.73

4. At the 67th meeting, on 25 May, the representative of India, Vice-Chairman of the Committee and coordinator of the informal consultations on this item, introduced, on behalf of the Chairman, a draft decision entitled "Financing of the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force" (A/C.5/55/L.73).

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft decision A/C.5/55/L.73 without a vote (see para. 6).

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## III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

### Financing of the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force

The General Assembly:

(a) Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the final disposition of assets of the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;[2]

(b) Approves the donation of assets consisting of observation towers and non-expendable equipment within the observation posts to the Government of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

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[1] A/55/390.
[2] A/55/870.

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# Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia

## Report of the Fifth Committee

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## I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 58th, 59th, 67th and 68th meetings, on 7, 8 and 25 May 2001. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/55/SR.58, 59, 67 and 68).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia for the period from 1 July 1999 to 30 June 2000 (A/55/682);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the Mission for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002 (A/55/768);

(c) Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/874 and Add.4).

## II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.72

4. At the 68th meeting, on 25 May, the representative of Japan and coordinator of the informal consultations on this item, introduced, on behalf of the Chairman, a

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draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia" (A/C.5/55/L.72).

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.72 without a vote (see para. 6).

## III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

### Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia

*The General Assembly,*

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia[1] and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 854 (1993) of 6 August 1993, by which the Council approved the deployment of an advance team of up to ten United Nations military observers for a period of three months and the incorporation of the advance team into a United Nations observer mission if such a mission was formally established by the Council,

*Recalling also* Security Council resolution 858 (1993) of 24 August 1993, by which the Council decided to establish the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Observer Mission, the latest of which was resolution 1339 (2001) of 31 January 2001,

*Recalling further* its decision 48/475 A of 23 December 1993 on the financing of the Observer Mission and subsequent resolutions and decisions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 54/271 of 15 June 2000,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated by the General Assembly in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the Observer Mission,

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Observer Mission with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia as at 30 April 2001, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 19.8 million United States dollars, representing 14 per cent of the total assessed contributions from the inception of the Observer Mission to the period

[1] A/55/682 and A/55/768.

[2] A/55/874 and Add.4.

ending 30 June 2001, notes that some 16 per cent of the Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States concerned, in particular those in arrears, to ensure the payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

2. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full;

3. *Urges* all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Observer Mission in full and on time;

4. *Expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Observer Mission;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Observer Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

10. *Also requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the Observer Mission against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Mission;

11. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia the amount of 27,896,341 dollars gross (26,175,806 dollars net) for the maintenance of the Observer Mission for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002, inclusive of the amount of 816,452 dollars gross (716,517 dollars net) for the support account for peacekeeping operations and the amount of 85,289 dollars gross (76,589 dollars net) for the United Nations Logistics Base;

12. *Decides also* to apportion among Member States the amount of 2,324,695 dollars gross (2,181,317 dollars net) for the period from 1 to 31 July 2001 in accordance with the levels set out in General Assembly resolution 55/235, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolution 55/236 of 23 December 2000, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the year 2001, as set out in its resolution 55/5 B of 23 December 2000;

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[3] A/55/874/Add.4.

13. *Decides further* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 12 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 143,378 dollars approved for the Observer Mission for the period from 1 to 31 July 2001;

14. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 25,571,646 dollars gross (23,994,489 dollars net) for the period from 1 August 2001 to 30 June 2002, at a monthly rate of 2,324,695 dollars gross (2,181,317 dollars net), in accordance with paragraph 12 above and taking into account the scale of assessments for the years 2001 and 2002, as set out in General Assembly resolution 55/5 B, subject to the decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Observer Mission beyond 31 July 2001;

15. *Decides also* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 14 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 1,577,157 dollars approved for the period from 1 August 2001 to 30 June 2002;

16. *Decides further* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Observer Mission, there shall be set off against the apportionment, as provided for in paragraphs 12 and 14 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance of 5,996,479 dollars gross (5,775,479 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000, of which 2,324,695 dollars gross (2,181,317 dollars net) pertains to the period from 1 to 31 July 2001 and 3,671,784 dollars gross (3,594,162 dollars net) pertains to the period from 1 August 2001 to 30 June 2002, in accordance with the composition of groups as set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989 and adjusted by the Assembly in subsequent relevant resolutions and decisions for the ad hoc apportionment of peacekeeping appropriations, the latest of which were resolution 52/230 of 31 March 1998 and decisions 54/456, 54/457 and 54/458 of 23 December 1999 for the period 1998-2000 and taking into account the scale of assessments for the year 2000, as set out in its resolutions 52/215 A of 22 December 1997 and 54/237 A of 23 December 1999;

17. *Decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Observer Mission, their share of the unencumbered balance of 5,996,479 dollars gross (5,775,479 dollars net) for the period ending 30 June 2000, of which 2,324,695 dollars gross (2,181,317 dollars net) pertains to the period from 1 to 31 July 2001 and 3,671,784 dollars gross (3,594,162 dollars net) pertains to the period from 1 August 2001 to 30 June 2002, shall be set off against their outstanding obligations in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 16 above;

18. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

19. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel under the auspices of the United Nations participating in the Observer Mission;

20. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Observer Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be

administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

21. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-sixth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia".

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# Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus

## Report of the Fifth Committee

*Rapporteur*: Mr. Eduardo Manuel da Fonseca Fernandes **Ramos** (Portugal)

## I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 58th, 59th, 67th and 68th meetings, on 7, 8 and 25 May 2001. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/55/SR.58, 59, 67 and 68).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus for the period from 1 July 1999 to 30 June 2000 (A/55/739);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the Force for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002 (A/55/788);

(c) Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/874 and Add.3).

## II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.71

4. At the 68th meeting, on 25 May, the representative of Japan and coordinator of the informal consultations on this item introduced, on behalf of the Chairman, a

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draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus" (A/C.5/55/L.71).

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.71 without a vote (see para. 6).

## III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

### Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus

*The General Assembly*,

*Having considered* the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus[1] and the related reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

*Recalling* Security Council resolution 186 (1964) of 4 March 1964, by which the Council established the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Force, the latest of which was resolution 1331 (2000) of 13 December 2000,

*Recalling also* its resolution 54/270 of 15 June 2000 on the financing of the Force,

*Reaffirming* the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

*Noting with appreciation* that voluntary contributions have been made to the Force by certain Governments,

*Noting* that voluntary contributions were insufficient to cover all the costs of the Force, including those incurred by troop-contributing Governments prior to 16 June 1993, and regretting the absence of an adequate response to appeals for voluntary contributions, including that contained in the letter dated 17 May 1994 from the Secretary-General to all Member States,[3]

*Mindful* of the fact that it is essential to provide the Force with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus as of 30 April 2001, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 20.3 million United States dollars, representing some 10.7 per cent of the total assessed contributions from 16 June 1993 to the period

[1] A/55/739 and A/55/788.

[2] A/55/874 and Add.3.

[3] See *Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-ninth Year, Supplement for April, May and June 1994*, document S/1994/647.

ending 15 June 2001, notes that some 15.3 per cent of the Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States concerned, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

2. *Expresses concern* about the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursement of troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full;

4. *Urges* all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Force in full and on time;

5. *Expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

6. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

7. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

8. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Force;

9. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[4] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Force is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

11. *Also requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the Force against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Force;

12. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus the amount of 42,389,220 dollars gross (40,697,146 dollars net) for the maintenance of the Force for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002, inclusive of the amount of 1,240,621 dollars gross (1,088,767 dollars net) for the support account for peacekeeping operations and the amount of 129,599 dollars gross (116,379 dollars net) for the United Nations Logistics Base, a one-third share of this amount, equivalent to 13,565,715 dollars, to be funded through voluntary contributions from the Government of Cyprus, and an amount of 6,500,000 dollars from the Government of Greece, subject to the review by the

[4] A/55/874/Add.3.

Security Council with regard to the question of termination or continuation of the Force;

13. *Decides also*, taking into consideration the funding through voluntary contribution from the Government of Cyprus of one-third share of the cost of the Force, equivalent to 13,565,715, and of 6,500,000 dollars from the Government of Greece, to apportion among Member States the amount of 22,323,505 dollars gross (20,631,431 dollars net), the said amount to be apportioned at a monthly rate of 1,860,292 dollars gross (1,719,286 dollars net) in accordance with the levels set out in General Assembly resolution 55/235, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolution 55/236 of 23 December 2000, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the years 2001 and 2002, as set out in its resolution 55/5 B of 23 December 2000, subject to the review by the Security Council with regard to the question of termination or continuation of the Force;

14. *Decides further* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 13 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 1,692,074 dollars approved for the Force for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002;

15. *Decides* that, taking into consideration the funding through voluntary contributions from the Government of Cyprus of one-third share of the cost of the Force, equivalent to 14,630,809 dollars, and of 6,500,000 dollars from the Government of Greece, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Force, there shall be set off against the apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 13 above, their respective share of the amount of 280,800 dollars gross (261,400 dollars net) of the unencumbered balance of 523,400 dollars gross (504,000 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000, in accordance with the compositions of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by the Assembly in its subsequent relevant resolutions and decisions for the ad hoc apportionment of peacekeeping appropriations, the latest of which were resolution 52/230 of 31 March 1998 and decisions 54/456 to 54/458 of 23 December 1999 for the period 1998-2000, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the year 2000, as set out in its resolutions 52/215 A of 22 December 1997 and 54/237 A of 23 December 1999;

16. *Decides also* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Force, their share of the unencumbered balance of 280,800 dollars gross (261,400 dollars net) in respect of the period ending 30 June 2000 shall be set off against their outstanding obligations in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 15 above;

17. *Decides further* that 168,000 dollars shall be returned to the Government of Cyprus and 74,600 dollars shall be returned to the Government of Greece;

18. *Decides* to continue to maintain as separate the account established for

20. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel under the auspices of the United Nations participating in the Force;

21. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedures and practices established by the General Assembly;

22. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-sixth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus".